

Hi Helen,

How are you? I was on holiday with my family in Barcelona, in Spain.

We flew from London to Barcelona airport. We arrived in Spain at five o'clock in the afternoon and took a taxi to the city centre and to our hotel. We went straight out to a restaurant because we were starving.

The next day, we got up early and explored the city. We walked up and down La Rambla, which is a really crowded street in central Barcelona. I bought a postcard at one of the shops there.

After that, we went to Park Guell. This park was designed by a famous Spanish architect called Gaudi. It's full of colourful sculptures of animals and shapes and it's really interesting place to walk around. My favourite sculpture was the Lizard at the entrance. It's really cool.

Finally, we visited the Sagrada Familia, which is a fantastic building in Barcelona. Gaudi designed this too. He worked on it for forty years but he died before it was finished. You aren't allowed to climb the stairs of the tower because it's too dangerous, but there are lifts you can go up and down in. The views are amazing from the top.

We really had great time there.

Bye for now.

Jessie

Task One: I read the text carefully and do the following tasks. (7 pts)

A. I read the following statements and write "True", "False" or "Not mentioned. (2pts)

1. Jessie and her family walked from Barcelona Airport to their hotel.
2. They ate paella and chips at the restaurant.
3. Park Guell and Sagrada Familia were designed by the same architect.
4. It's not permitted to climb the stairs of the Sagrada Familia.

B. I answer the following questions. (3pts)

1. Where did Jessie spend her holiday?
2. What places of interest did Jessie visit there?
3. Did Gaudi finish his work on the Sagrada Familia?

C. - I find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following. (1pt)

Very hungry = Exciting =

- I find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to the following. (1pt)

Departed ≠ Began ≠

Task Two (7 pts)

A. I turn the following sentences /passage into the passive. (3 pts)

1. The Roman emperor "Constantine the Great" built Constantine in AD 313.
2. Bachir Yellès and Marian Konieczny designed "Martyrs' Memorial" in Algiers.
3. Charles Dickens Wrote "Oliver Twist" and "Hard times".

B. I combine the following sentences using the right connectors (Since, because, so, as a result). (2 pts)

1. Tourists prefer going to The Hoggar Mountains. There are spectacular views.
2. People of the Sahara are very friendly and welcoming. You don't need to look for a hotel.

C. I find in the text four words that have the following diphthongs. (2pts)

/au/ (Town)	/ei/ (Take)
1-	1-
2-	2-

Task Three: Situation of Integration (6pts)

Your English web pal Richard has asked you about cultural and historical richness of your country. You have decided to write an e-mail in which you will give him a report of your last trip around Algeria. Describe your itinerary and talk about the landmarks you visited and the outstanding figures in history, literature or arts that you learnt about during this trip. These clues can help you:

Famous landmarks/ Monuments	Outstanding figures
- The Great Mosque, Tlemcen - Sidi M'cid suspended bridge, Constantine - The Roman city of Timgad, Batna	- Mohamed Dib Born 1920/ Tlemcen - Abdelhamid Ben Badis Born 1889/ Constantine - Moustafa Ben Boulaid Born 1917/Arris, Batna

Good Luck